Besides, the details of heroin seized in Delhi during the last three years (upto October 1996) by the narcotics Control Bureau alongwith number of persons arrested are as follows:—

Year	Quantity of heroin seized (in Kg.)	Number of persons arrested
1993	139	430
1994	98	460
1995	50	671
1996 (upto October)	210	401

Loss due to striike of the Telecom Employees

*9. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the loss Government have suffered due to the recent strike of the employees of the Department of Telecommunication;

(b) the manner in which Government propose to make good the losses;

(c) the concessions which Government have agreed to give to employees;

(d) the extent of the cost to the exchequer; and

(e) the exact nature of the agreement which Government have made with the employees unions?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA):(a) The estimated loss of revenue on account of the strike is Rs. 12.6 crores approximately.

(b) All out efforts would be made to earn more revenue by improving productivity of the staff and by better operational efficiency.

(c) Productivity linked bonus for the year 1995-96 will be paid to all the Group 'C' & 'D' employees of Department of Telecommunications.

(d) The additional financial liability will be Rs. 85 crores approximately.

(e) No agreement has been signed with the Employees Union.

New National Textiles Policy

*10. SHRI S. MUTHU MANI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a New National Textiles Policy to help the Indian Textile Industry face global competition;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the impediments being faced by the Indian Textile industry with regard to modernisation of existing units; and

(d) the steps taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Due to globalisation and liberalisation of Trade, the Textile Industry in India has to be modernised to become competitive in the global market. Modernisation of existing units implies and necessitates phasing out of obsolete machinery and their replacements by state of art technology. This requires finance at concessional rate. Towards this objective, the Ministry of Textiles had written to the Ministry of Finance in Aug. 95 for taking up with the World Bank or any other International Funding Agency, the matter of providing funds at concessional rates to the textile sector, namely, spinning, weaving and processing. The World Bank, in March, 1996, stated that textile sector is not one of the priority areas identified by the World Bank and as such, it would not be possible for the World Bank to extend concessional finance to the sector. The Ministry of Textiles was, however, advised to explore the possibility of approaching International Funding Agencies like IFC for the purpose. The Ministry of Textiles have accordingly written to the Ministry of Finance for this purpose in July, 1996.

World Bank assistance for development of Major Ports

*11. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK:
SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sought World